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Countess Wachmeister, who has just returned from a trip around the world, claims to have discovered a woman in Washington who possesses certain marvelous powers.

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There are several doctors in Washington who know this woman's faculty, and they go to her to find out what people have hidden, and for all sorts of obscure ailments. In which to see just how the Countess looks is of the greatest value in the treatment."

Countess Wachmeister says there is no doubt of the woman's ability to see through the eyes, and that she is able to see to time by adepts all over the world. This power is somewhat rare. It is not difficult in this case to verify power and watch its operations, because the woman herself is said to be highly intelligent, and several reputable physicians all vouch for the correctness of her observations.

"I remember meeting one other woman who possessed this power," said Countess Wachmeister. "That was in Geneva about fifteen years ago. She was a diseased woman, and I was suffering from it. I often saw her describe physical conditions which would be verified by physicians when they had operated on the patients."

"X-ray photography had not then been discovered, and I did not know what to call this strange gift, but the writings of famous occultists contain records of persons having this faculty and using it many centuries ago, though they did not describe it in just the terms we use now."

**Stranger Than India.** "It is rather strange to circle the globe and come home to find more wonderful things than any in India," said the Countess. "Of course, I was much interested in India to see the feats performed by adepts, but they had been described by Colonel Olcott and others, so there was nothing new, except to see them with my own eyes."

Another strange discovery which the Countess made was the discovery of the original pupil. He joined the first circle of disciples, which she and Colonel Olcott formed in the city. She has remained faithful to theosophical teachings, and although declining to talk about her discoveries or experiences to any one except an adepth, she has sought out Countess Wachmeister last week and told her a story of her wanderings on the "astral plane," and is said to know more about theosophy than any other living person with, perhaps, the exception of Annie Besant.

"This man," says Countess Wachmeister, "belongs to a certain circle of adepths, and he is said to be a seer, and I know it is difficult to make a seer take this matter seriously, but, I assure you, it is possible, even in this life, to throw the body and soul and explore the 'astral plane' where souls so temporarily."

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The Highest Praise Paid This Paper by the Professor of the Department of Journalism in the Northern Indiana Normal College—"It Leads the World."

Valparaiso, Ind., Oct. 23.—The New York Journal has for a good while been the text book in the department of journalism in the Northern Indiana Normal College here, where more than 3,000 young men and women are registered in attendance from every State and Territory in the Union.

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All this week the subject under consideration has been the feat of the New York Journal in rescuing the young woman from the jail in Havana.

Professor Sampson each day takes the last issue of the Journal, and, first reading aloud to the class the new developments in the case as told in the news and editorial columns, then talks for the remainder of the recitation hour concerning the article of the Journal and what significance it has on journalism as a profession and calling.

**Its Abilities Unconfined.** This morning he said: "The New York Journal has long since shown that it was the most enterprising publication under the sun. It has convinced the world that there is nothing beyond its abilities to conquer and bring to the reader in a clear, entertaining, instructive and interesting manner."

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